

## SLIM CHANCE FOR AN EARLY TRIAL

Watson Must Wait Disposition of Other Cases.

### COURT CALENDAR IS FULL

Transfer of "Jail" Cases to Criminal Court No. 2 Might Relieve Congestion.

Although not probable, it is possible that James M. A. Watson, under indictment for the embezzlement of \$3,000 from the District, will be tried before the beginning of the summer holidays. The chances of his being called to trial before the recess depend entirely upon the time which will be taken up in disposing of cases already set for trial. Among these are the Tynar-Barratt postoffice conspiracy case, the Sharf murder case, and the John L. O'Brien embezzlement case, all set for trial in Criminal Court No. 1, before Justice Pritchard.

The Tynar-Barratt case, set for Monday, May 2, it is believed, will occupy the attention of the court for three weeks or longer. This will practically put the business of the court up to June 1. Then comes the Sharf case, which counsel interested believe will take ten days or two weeks.

### New Jury to Be Drawn.

In the meantime, on the first Tuesday in June, a new jury must be drawn. As it generally takes two or more days to complete the panel, several days will be lost to work. In this connection it may be said that since the order has gone out that persons summoned for jury work will not receive pay for a day unless they qualify as jurors, it is expected that more difficulty will be experienced than heretofore in filling the panel.

### Would Balk at Hard Work.

As it happens, the same counsel represent the Government and the defendants in the Tynar-Barratt case and in the Watson case. It is therefore quite unlikely they will be willing to go from one hard, long trial into another. This is the aim of the District Attorney, however, to give Watson a trial as early a date as possible.

Watson, who has been in jail since June last, was called before Justice today. He was called before Justice of the Peace O'Neal to testify in a civil case. He was met at the justice's by his wife, who remained with him until he returned to jail.

## SENATOR FAIRBANKS DISCLAIMS CANDIDACY

Letter to a Pennsylvania Friend Says He Doesn't Want Vice Presidency.

COCHESFORT, Pa., April 27.—Send for Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana, regarded as the probable Republican nominee for Vice President, says in a personal letter to Editor M. T. Stokes, of this town, that he is not a candidate for the office.

Mr. Stokes formerly resided in Indiana, and he and Senator Fairbanks are warm friends. The editor declines to make public the contents of the letter further than to make the statement of Fairbanks' non-candidacy.

### NEWS FROM BOYDS.

BOYDS, Md., April 27.—The body of Alex Carter, the Confederate veteran who died at his home in Barnesville on Saturday night, was interred yesterday afternoon in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, near Darnestown. Funeral services were held in the M. E. Church there and were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Thomas. Mr. Carter was seventy-three years old, and the oldest Confederate soldier in this section of country.

A fireman on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad by the name of White, who was driving an eastbound engine from Brunswick for Washington, claim to have been on the train near Randolph last night while the train was going thirty-five miles an hour, and received no injuries other than a shock from his fall, and a few bruises. He says he was working on the footboard of tender shoveling coal when he went to the side of the engine and fell off the tender backward, striking full on his back. He was picked up by another train and taken to Gaithersburg, and from there on an express train to Brunswick, his home. His place was filled by another fireman in Washington.

Samuel Young has bought the farm of Nicholas Offutt, three miles from Derwood, this county, consisting of 275 acres, for \$10,000, paying \$40 an acre. This farm is elegantly situated, and can be made one of the finest in the county.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad officials intend to depart from their usual custom of building platforms at their local and other stations of Georgia pine lumber, and will substitute for them platforms made of crushed stone and brick walks or platforms. It is understood at Rockville that a brick platform will be put around that station, and beside of tracks the crushed stone platforms will be used. The same will be done at Boyds, at an early date. The high price of lumber and the expenses of keeping up repairs on their platforms is the cause of this new idea which will be put in effect as early as possible.

### UNIFORM QUARANTINE RULES.

BARBADOS, B. W. I., April 27.—An important conference began here today to arrange uniform quarantine regulations for all the British West Indies. American and other importations have been hampered, steamers delayed and visitors unnecessarily scared from these shores by the present regulations.

## Vaudeville Actress Shot by Sailor Lover

Turns Weapon on Himself and Both May Die—Unrequited Love the Cause of the Deed.

NEW YORK, April 27.—The unrequited love of a plowman of the main was the cause of a double shooting in Brooklyn today, which may result in the death of Adeline Buttner, an actress, and her lover, Gustav Singbush, a sailor.

Singbush spends his life at sea, and his times ashore have been few and far between. Recently he came ashore, and with a party of friends visited the Atlantic Gardens, in Hoboken. There the singing and dancing of Miss Buttner enthralled him, and his fascination led him behind the scenes, where he introduced himself to Miss Buttner.

The attentions of her new friend were not repulsed, and Singbush was assiduous in his wooing. Last night he met several of his former shipmates along the river front and they told him that the actress did not care for him, and that he was being made a fool of.

Singbush started for Brooklyn, and, reaching Miss Buttner's house this morning, knocked at the door. She answered the summons. Singbush whistled to her for a few seconds, and then, springing back, drew a pistol.

"You say that?" he cried.

Miss Buttner tried to run. The sailor fired, the ball entering the left shoulder. Singbush then turned the weapon upon himself.

Physicians say that the condition of both is serious.

## GEOLOGICAL SURVEY REQUESTS CO-OPERATION

In Ascertaining Radio-Activity of Metals and Substances—Rules to Govern Observers.

The United States Geological Survey is collecting information concerning the occurrence of radio-active minerals in the United States, and would be pleased to have the co-operation of the public in this investigation.

Radio-activity has been observed in many minerals and also in many other substances, such as slags, tailings from concentrators, slimes, chemical wastes, water from mineral springs, deep well waters, and petroleum, and it is possible that the number of known radio-active minerals may be greatly increased.

Anyone who has found such minerals or has observed radio-activity in any other substance is urged to give the Survey full details regarding them and the localities from which they were obtained. All information pertaining to the subject will be welcome, and any advice which the Survey may be able to give in return will be cheerfully furnished.

How to Determine It.

For the guidance of those who believe that they possess specimens of minerals containing radio-active elements it may be said that the simplest means of detecting radio-activity in a suspected substance is by the use of a photographic plate—the more sensitive the better. The plate should not be removed from its case until it has been exposed to the sun's rays. The test should be made, if possible, with from half a pound to a pound of the material.

Persons sending in specimens should be careful that each specimen is properly labeled with the name and post-office address of the sender, the name of the mine or claim from which it came, and the State, county, city, village, mountain, or district in which the deposit is located.

### COLLECTOR NYMAN HOLDS UNCLAIMED GOODS SALE

The annual sale of unclaimed goods was held yesterday at the office of H. S. Nyman, collector of the port of Georgetown. The goods sold consisted of cigars, lace, embroidered silk, a tiger skin rug, and many other articles. Six pieces of silk, with facsimiles of American battlefields handsomely and artistically worked upon them, were among the articles sold. C. G. Sloan was the auctioneer.

### COTTON MANUFACTURERS TO MEET IN THIS CITY

Will Hold Eighth Annual Convention on May 11 and 12.

The eighth annual convention of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association will be held in Washington beginning May 11 and ending May 12 next. C. E. Bryant, secretary of the association, has been in the city for some days and has completed arrangements for the meeting, which will be held in the banquet room of the Hotel Hamilton.

### PRIVATE VIEW OF EXHIBIT OF CAPITAL CAMERA CLUB

Invitations have been issued by the Capital Camera Club to a private view on Saturday evening of pictures to be exhibited in the thirteenth annual exhibition by the club.

The exhibit is to be held in the hemicycle hall of the Corcoran Gallery of Art, and will be made up of a group of pictorial photographs which are said to show the best reproductions ever shown by the club.

### CRAWFORD IN ITALY.

NAPLES, Italy, April 27.—Marion Crawford, the author, arrived here today and went to Sorrento to join his family.

### Sciatica Cured After Twenty Years of Torture.

For more than twenty years Mr. J. B. Massey, of 3222 Clinton Street, Minneapolis, Minn., was tortured by sciatica. The pain and suffering which he endured during this time is beyond comprehension. Nothing gave him any permanent relief until he used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. One application of that liniment relieved the pain and made sleep and rest possible, and less than one bottle has effected a permanent cure. Mr. Massey relates his experience for the benefit of others who may be similarly afflicted. He troubled with sciatica or rheumatism, why not try a bottle of Pain Balm, and see for yourself how quickly it relieves the pain. For sale by all druggists.

## CATHOLIC CHURCH MUSIC QUESTION

Serious Problem Confronts the Bishops.

### WISHES OF THE VATICAN

Thought That Introduction of Gregorian Chant Would Embarrass Congregations of Washington.

The substitution of the Gregorian chant in Catholic churches of America and the banishment of women from the choir has again been brought to public notice by statements from various parts of the United States that the Pope's order relative to the change will be strictly carried out by diocesan bishops. Opinions as variant as they are in numbers have been advanced on the subject, and it is now said the question was acted upon at the recent conference of Catholic bishops at the university. This is hardly the case, but it is said the letter from Pope Pius was carefully considered at that time, and attention was called to the fact that the Pope is tolerant in his views and while desirous of having the chant introduced in services was not insistent beyond reason in having his desire in this carried out.

Catholic pastors in Washington are at a loss to know just what will be done, but it was stated today at the Catholic University, where it is believed any concerted action on the part of American bishops would be communicated immediately, that this was hardly probable.

### No Concerted Action.

Each bishop, it is understood, will act as he deems advisable with the congregations under his direction, and if the conditions are favorable to the execution of the Pope's order, it will be carried out.

In many instances it will not be advisable to introduce the chant as material is lacking and many congregations are unable adequately to support a choir of this kind. This is particularly the case with Washington, and should Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop of Baltimore, in which the District of Columbia is included, decide to enforce the rule it is almost certain that many local churches will be embarrassed.

### PAINE'S LOVE LETTERS TO MRS. SHELLEY SOLD

Poe's Correspondence and Her Replies Disposed of at Public Auction.

PHILADELPHIA, April 27.—An interesting collection of autograph letters has been disposed of at auction. Among them were the love letters of John Howard Paine, author of "Home, Sweet Home," to the beautiful Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley, widow of the poet, together with her letters to Paine.

These missives, laying bare the misdirected love of the unfortunate Paine, and the cat-paw part he was induced to play for Mrs. Shelley, who was really in love with Washington Irving, were eagerly bid for by New York dealers.

Twenty-nine autograph letters from Mrs. Shelley were sold to George H. Richmond, of New York, for \$245, and the same dealer purchased thirty-four autograph letters signed with Mrs. Shelley's initials for \$225. Most of the other Paine-Shelley letters were bought by him, the total price being about \$2,800. He also got Paine's autograph manuscript of "Romulus, the Shepherd King," for \$300.

An oil portrait of Washington by Rembrandt Peale was withdrawn, because only \$375 was offered for it. Critics say that the portrait shows the erratic painter at his worst.

### MEN OF NEW HAMPSHIRE REVIVE OLD HOME DAYS

A meeting of the New Hampshire Association was held last night at the association's hall, 429 Tenth Street. The program for the evening included music, recitation and the reading of historical papers. E. A. Tibbets read a paper on the "Discoveries of the Northmen in America," the result of his examination and translation of original writings; C. A. Turner gave an interesting sketch of the history of Wentworth, N. H.; Cecil Trickey sang, and Dr. Duncan recited. It was decided that an effort should be made to have all members of the association who are going to the G. A. R. encampment at Boston and to visit their homes during "Old Home Week" leave Washington on the same train.

### APPOINTED FIRST ALTERNATE.

Clarke H. Wells, grandson of the late Rear Admiral C. H. Wells, U. S. N., has been appointed first alternate for admission to the Naval Academy next June.

## Snub for Little Men As Officers in Navy

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"It is sophistry to argue in favor of a small man for military purposes, particularly an officer. He cannot have a military personality, no matter what his intellectual attainments."

This is admitted the world over, and is carefully considered by military nations in the selection of their officers. Enlisted men generally judge an officer by his outward appearance.

"It can be set down as a principle that a small man is rarely a successful officer. There are noble exceptions to this, but they are not to be taken as types." If the Navy Department acts upon the advice of Medical Inspector Howard E. Ames, U. S. N., the United States will never have any more naval officers who are less than five feet six inches tall.

In an essay called "A Plea for a Higher Physical, Moral, and Intellectual Standard of the Personnel for the Navy," which received honorable mention in a contest conducted by the United States Naval Institute, Dr. Ames discusses officers of low stature in a manner calculated to drive General Funston to profanity.

At present boys are accepted in the Naval Academy who are only five feet tall. This minimum is fixed on the assumption that the midshipmen will grow several inches while in the Academy.

Dr. Ames insists the allowance for growth in the Academy is too liberal, and the result is graduating classes which contain many abbreviated midshipsmen who are not sufficiently commanding in appearance to be officers.

"Too much risk is assumed on possibilities," says Dr. Ames. "Some extreme case is quoted of phenomenal growth having occurred in one or two years, and this exceptional case is the excuse which has opened the door. The short, ill-developed youth is taken in with the vague hope that the regular life and systematic training will, in violation of all physiological laws, produce the wished for results."

"The present requirements for height are too low. If the records of the Academy are of any value, they prove that we cannot expect but the fractional part of an inch increase in height after the age of eighteen years."

To insure a mean height in our naval officer, it would be well to have a law passed making a standard in height of five feet six inches, which must be reached at the time of graduation.

An examination of 315,629 native-born Americans gives a mean height measure of 5 feet 6 inches. Are we asking too much to fix the minimum height for the graduate at five feet six inches, when the mean for our people is five feet 7 1/2 inches?

## FAIR HEIRS AGREE ON DIVISION OF ESTATE

Basis of Adjustment Arranged for Distribution of Late Senator's Property.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 27.—It is announced that the way has been cleared for the distribution of the estate of the late Senator James G. Fair, and that his daughters, Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., and Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs, will receive their shares within the next ten or fifteen days, if not earlier.

It has been learned that within the last three weeks the Nelsons have accepted a compromise over the Charles L. Fair estate and that looked in the vaults of the attorneys of Mrs. Oelrichs is an agreement recently signed by the opposing relatives of the late Mrs. Charles L. Fair, which precludes all possibility of any future contest over the millions that are to go to Mrs. Vanderbilt and Mrs. Oelrichs.

It is also announced that the projected contest of a mysterious heir of Charles L. Fair has been abandoned.

## SECURITIES INJUNCTION DENIED

NEWARK, N. J., April 27.—Vice Chancellor Bergen has denied the application of the Commercial Trust Company for an injunction restraining the Northern Securities Company from distributing its assets.

## INCREASE CAPITAL \$20,000,000.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 27.—The Chicago Great Western Railroad Company today filed with the secretary of state a certificate of increase of capital stock. From \$30,000,000 the total amount of stock is increased to \$50,000,000.

## WOMEN DO NOT TALK.

BALTIMORE, April 27.—One hundred and fifty members of the Women's Whist League attended the reception last night at the Hotel Biltmore, and took part in the contests for prizes beginning today. The congress will continue until Friday evening.

## ILLUSTRATED LECTURE UPON TUBERCULOSIS

An illustrated lecture on "The Ravages and Prevention of Consumption" will be given at St. John's Parish Hall, Sixteenth Street, between H and I Streets northwest, this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The speakers will be Gen. George M. Sternberg and Charles F. Weller, general secretary of the Associated Charities.

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## MAYOR GETS MAD; GIRL LOSES JOB

All on Account of Nickel-in-Slot Telephone.

### OPERATOR "SASSED" BACK

Mr. Weaver Dropped in a Dime and Became a Victim of the "Rules."

PHILADELPHIA, April 27.—Mayor Weaver's wrath is appeased. The Keystone telephone operators are again doing business in the city hall, and Miss Marie McLaughlin, the pretty telephone operator, is looking for another job.

Behind this adjustment—satisfactory to all parties concerned—save Miss McLaughlin—there is a story of a nickel-in-the-slot machine and certain rules which apply to the general public, but cut no ice with a mayor.

Last Thursday Mayor Weaver, desiring converse with a distant friend, rang him up on one of the Keystone telephones in the city hall.

Inadvertently the mayor dropped a dime into the slot which is built exclusively for the reception of nickels.

### The Girl Laughed.

When he explained the mistake to Miss McLaughlin at central, a silvery laugh significant of derision floated from the girl over the wire.

"But this is the mayor," shouted the dismayed official. "Make that connection for me immediately."

Miss McLaughlin refused, in a few emphatic sentences, the burden of which was that "rules are rules" and that "no mayor could boss her."

Fortwith, in his wrath Mayor Weaver issued a ukase against the Keystone telephones in the city hall, and each instrument was conspicuously labeled, "Out of order." But now the Keystone Company has apologized. Miss McLaughlin has been discharged, and the signs are down.

## POLICE CAN'T CONVICT OLD "AUNT BETSY GRANT"

Fourth Failure to Prove She Keeps a Speakeasy.

"Old Aunt Betsy" Grant, a negress, seventy years old, and weighing more than 600 pounds, was acquitted in the Police Court yesterday afternoon on a charge of conducting a speakeasy at her home, 629 Pomeroy Street northwest.

"Gone again," said Prosecutor Pugh. "This is the fourth time we have had that woman here for running a speakeasy, but we can never convict her."

Prior to the trial the aged negress was almost deaf, and with an untidy head and leaning heavily upon the arms of court attendants, she waddled in front of the clerk to be arraigned. When the case was called on for the prosecution against her, she almost danced with joy.

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